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I further quote from the middle of the first paragraph on page 16.

"Those plans of operations of the Second Army Group was in force from 1941 to the spring of 1944, that is the time when I was the commander of the Fourth Army, this plan was in force."

Lieutenant-General KISABA gave very essential testimony of the "Kan-Tckn-En" plan, which I quote from page 10, the fourth paragraph.

"Question: Tell me what you know about the 'Kan-Toku-En' plan.

"Answer: It provided for the increase of our military strength in Manchuria in connection with the outbreak of the Russo-German War in 1941, and by this plan some three hundred thousand forie were transferred to Manchuria. The 'Kan-Toku-En' plan was only the name to comouflage our plan of operations against the U.S.S.R"

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Did you favor it or were you opposed to it?

A My own personal feeling was opposed to the Tripartite alliance. But no matter what the subject may be, in human affairs we find that there are trends, and in foreign affairs there is also a certain continuity. Once a matter decided on before has become a <u>fait accompli</u> it is very difficult to try to change that established fact. This is one of the things that makes politics so difficult. For instance, after I became Foreign Minister the situation was such that it was impossible for me to call for the immediate abrogation of the Tripartite Pact.

Q Did you think that the Tripartite Pact was a good thing or an evil thing for Japan when you joined the TOJO Cabinet in 1941?

A I felt that the Tripartite Pact made Japan's international position very difficult.

Q Well, that does not enlighten us too much. Will you please answer the question? Did you think it was an evil thing on the whole or a good thing for Japan? Did you favor it or were you against it when you joined the TOJO Cabinet in October, 1941? You use many words about it, but I don't think you give us very much information. Will you please tell

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A I have.

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MR. BROOKS: That's right, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: You asked for these documents yesterday, Captain Brooks --

MR. BROOKS: Yes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: --when your right to crossexamine still existed. Rightly or wrongly, I announced the decision of the Court that you should not have them for the time being.

Mr. Comyns Carr.

MR. COMYNS CARR: If your Honor pleases, I think this is the fourth time that my friend has asked for the production of original diaries and on each of the previous occasions he has been overruled on the ground that to look at the original of that which has been photostated couldn't help anybody because the photostat exactly reproduces the original. In my submission that reasoning still holds good. If my friend is now asking for the production of some other document other than the original from which these photostats were taken, I have no information as to what exactly he wants nor whether it is obtainable. The photostats are taken from the original document as handed to SCAP, and the translations are made from the photostats. The prosecution will, of course, endeavor to do anything which the Court directs but

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THE PRESIDENT: We have not read it. It may or may not be true.

MR. HARDIN: We omit the next one.

We offer in evidence IPS document 219P (82) from exhibit 58. This is an excerpt from an oral statement of Ambassador Grew to Prime Minister KONOYE, dated October 3, 1938.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Hardin, the position is this: The document last admitted is certainly identical with a part of an earlier exhibit which has not been read. It is, I understand, a different translation.

MR. HARDIN: That is 219P (54), your Honor?

THE PRESIDENT: 972-E contains a paragraph which is similar in substance to exhibit 973.

MR. HARDIN: 973, I believe, was omitted, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: It is still before us. That is all I know. I suppose you can omit this 973 without damaging your case.

as I understand 1 is a duplication.

THE PRESIDENT: The last excerpt tendered is admitted on the usual terms.

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	1	Q Well, if I follow you, then, your enswer is
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vi or se	5	Q My question was why you omitted the Japanese
	6	proposal in question from your discussion of the
	7	negotiations in your affidavit. I did not suppose
	8	there was any reason for your omitting it except that
	9	you considered it of little importance. I wonder if
	10	that is correct.
	11	A We were at that time exploring the whole
	12	field.
	13	Q Yes, but why was this document not mentioned
	14	in your affidavit, Mr. Witness?
	15	A That was one of many documents that were
	16	not mentioned in my affidavit, because it was one,
	17	in my judgment, of lesser importance.
	18	O Yes, so I assumed. Now, in connection with
	19	the Tripartite Pact, I want to call your attention
	21	to the occasion when this document was presented by

the Tripartite Pact, I want to call your attention to the occasion when this document was presented by Ambassador NOLURA to President Roosevelt on the 10th of November. Do you remember that at that time in discussing with the President the matter of the Tripartite Pact the Ambassador said as follows:

This is in Foreign Relations, Volume 2, page 716.

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"The present circumstances under which Japan is placed do not permit my Government to go any further to write in black and white than what is proposed in the draft of September 25th, which I have just duoted. All I have to ask you is to read between the lines and to accept the formula as satisfactory."

A Isn't there a line there that the Ambassador erased?

O Yes. That is what I want to ask you about. The last sentence in the publication is lined out and is followed by the notation, "deleted by Ambassador NOMURA." Was any explanation given of why he desired it deleted?

A I wasn't at that conversation, and if any explanation was made to me I don't recall it.

Q Now, continuing on the matter of the Tripartite Pact for just a moment, was there any feeling
in the Department of State by say November that the
parties were measureably near to agreement on the
Tripartite question alone?

A I don't recell that there was any such feeling. As I say, we were trying to look at this cuestion as a whole and getting a little closer, slightly closer on one point without getting any nearer on other points. I don't think that they

made no objection to the offering of the document for identification and the subsequent cross-examination of the witness on the basis of that document, but the defense goes further than that and offers the document itself in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: We have the view in any Australian or New Zealand court, I will confine it to that --

MR. BLAKENEY: Or American.

THE PRESIDINT: The document is admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Defense document heretofore described is given exhibit No. 1246 and admitted according to order of Court.

(Whereupon, the document previously marked defense exhibit No. 1246 for identification was received in evidence.)

MR. BLAKENEY: I do not desire to read it at this time unless the Tribunal desires to hear it.

THE PRESIDENT: Vell, it should go into the transcript for our convenience. This is the time.

MR. BLAKENEY: I am sorry, sir, I do not understand whether you mean to read it into the transcript.

THE PRESIDENT: Perd it, yes.

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THE WITNESS: Yes.

Q Was the question of the number of troops to be stationed in northern Indo-China even mentioned by the Department of State to the Japanese Ambassa-dors at the time of this proposal?

A I recell definitely that the point that
the troops could be brought back into southern IndoChine in a day or two was mentioned, but I don't recall the fact whether there was no limit placed on
the number of troops stationed in northern Indo-Chine
was brought to their attention. The record will show
that, whether it was so or not.

Q Now, turning to the question of the supposed insincerity of the Japanese proposal, as I understand, the Department of State felt that the Japanese offer was not made in good faith and that, therefore, any agreement which might be made would have no value; is that correct?

A To which offer ere you now referring?

Q We are speaking of the 20th of November proposal.

A Vell, I had made no statement in regard to that. I spoke about the November 7th.

I am sorry. I did not mean to misauote you.

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of State feel that the Japanese were insincere on their side of the conversations, from what time?

A It depends upon to what you are referring.

We containly felt they were insincere in regard to
the question of withdrawal of troops as from November
7th. I don't recall that the question ever grose
specifically in regard to this November 20th proposal.

Q Vell, as I understand, the thing which had occurred to vitiate your belief in the Japanese sincerity was knowledge of the intercepted message of the 4th of November, that is, message 726, which we have mentioned before; is that correct?

A Yes.

Q Then may we assume that from that time forward the Department of State had no confidence in the Japanese sincerity?

A Naturally, we were on our guard from that point on.

Q Would I then be correct if I said that from that time on as far as the Department of State was concerned you were not really negotiating because you had no conficence that any agreement obtained would be of any value?

A I don't think that is correct. We were on our guard. We naturally wanted to have things,

was it not, to the Southwest Pacific area?

A Vell, I haven't got the May '31 draft before me. I don't recall definitely what our wording was in our paper.

In any event, in the American draft of the flat of June were not these guarantees for the first time expressed as to be extended to the Pacific area instead of the Southwest Pacific area? I refer to exhibit 1092 in evidence.

A Yes, there the provision is for -- covers the Pacific area.

Principly, efter this question had remained unsettled for some time, did not the Japanese Government by this proposal of the 10th of November make the following statement: "That the Japanese Gov rnment recognizes the principle of non-discrimination in international commercial relations to be applied to all of the Pacific areas, inclusive of China, on the understanding that the principle in question is to be applied uniformly to the rest of the entire world as well."

This is quoted from exhibit 1246 in evidence.

A That is correct.

Q On the same day, in conversation with President Roosevelt, did not Ambassador NOMURA point out to the President that -- I quote -- "The Secretary of State has repeatedly pointed out to me that it has been his

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had it not?

A That is correct.

Q So far as concerns the desirability of such a meeting between the President and the Premier,

Ambassador Grew in Tokyo expressed to the Department,

did he not, a great enthusiasm for and hopefulness

concerning such a meeting?

A That is so; but he was only reporting from the viewpoint of Tokyo as he himself stated.

Q And from the viewpoint of Tokyo did he not feel that, in his own words: "The good which might flow from such a meeting is incalculable"?

A There is no question about what Mr. Grew reported in his telegram. It has been published. It is in the record.

Department took into consideration this further suggestion of Ambassador Grow contained in his long telegram to the Department of the 29th of September reviewing the whole situation, wherein, speaking of the proposed meeting, he says this: "He raises the questions whether the United States is not now given the opportunity to halt Japan's program without war or an immediate risk of wer; and, further, whether through failure to use the present opportunity, the

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United States will not face a greatly increased risk of war. The Ambassador states his firm belief in an affirmative answer to these two questions"?

A We gave careful consideration to that as well as all other suggestions of Ambassador Grew.

Q Did the Department consider further at that time the likelihood also referred to by Ambassador Grew that Prince KONOYE would be in a position to give to the President more directly explicit and satisfactory engagements than his Ambassador could do?

A We did not see how -- what explicit commitments that would be of a satisfactory character could
be given in the light of the filure to reach an
agreement on so many fundamental points during all
those menths of conversation.

Q. In any event, the meeting did not occur because of the facts which you have stated in your affidevit?

A And also for the many considerations stated in our communication of October 2nd and in further explanations made in the published record.

Q Then with the closing of the quest on of a meeting between the President and Premier, the conversations were thrown back to the same state approximately in which they started, were they not?

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THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Brannon.

MR. BRANNON: "e wish to remind the Tribunal that this is not the order that was issued but the recollection of several Japanese Naval Officers.

THE PRESIDENT: This must be the order. It would require photographic memories to recollect that, but it may be as Mr. Brannon says. You can clear that up, Mr. Fihelly. Perhaps Admiral Richardson will clear it up when he comes, Mr. Fihelly, so proceed.

IR. FIHELLY: This Ampendix B, your Honor, is a reply to what is known as the Colonel Munson Cuestionnaire, some thirty or more questions that was sent to the Japanese Naval Department to answer the specific question.

MR. BRANNON: I refer to pargraph 29, on page 75, the last sentence. "The information is based on recollection and inquiries of the following three men."

THE PRESIDENT: You could go further, Mr. Brannon.

(Reading from exhibit 809): "All copies of the above items were burned at the time of surrender and as a result no documents are available. The essential points in the order relative to carrying out

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